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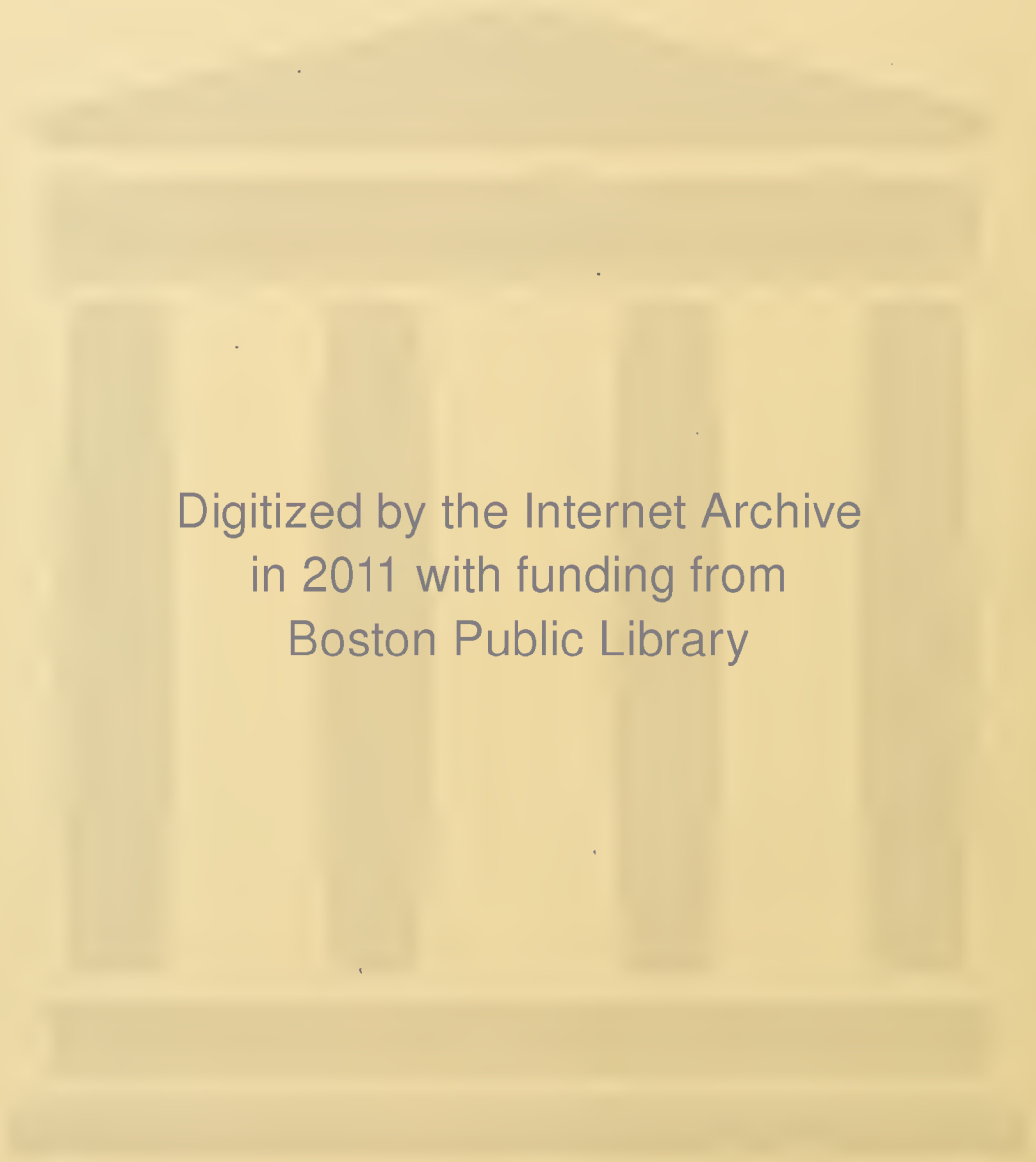
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In *Provincial Congreſs,*

Concord, *March* 31, 1775.

WHEREAS this Congreſs is informed, that many Collectors and Conſtables, having in their Hands conſiderable Sums of the public Monies of this Colony, have hitherto neglected to pay the ſame to HENRY GARDNER, *Eſq; of* Stow, *and the Congreſs earneſtly attentive to the Eaſe of the Inhabitants of the Colony, are deſirous of compleating the Preparations ſo eſſentially neceſſary for the public Safety, without calling on them for other Monies than ſuch as are now due to the Colony*

It is therefore,

RESOLVED, That the Conſtables and Collectors aforeſaid, ought by no Means to be longer indulged in their unreaſonable Neglect of complying with the moſt important Plans of this Colony; and it is hereby ſtrongly recommended to the ſeveral Towns and Diſtricts of the ſame, that they oblige ſaid Conſtables and Collectors, forthwith to pay the Balances aforeſaid due from them reſpectively, to the ſaid Receiver-General: And it is alſo moſt earneſtly recommended to thoſe Towns and Diſtricts having any public Monies of the Colony yet uncollected, that they do not fail to hire and pay the ſame to ſaid HENRY GARDNER, Eſq. without Delay; and that they vigorouſly exert themſelves to ſuppreſs every Oppoſition to Meaſures recommended by the Continental and Provincial Congreſſes, as they regard the Freedom and Happineſs of themſelves and future Generations.

Signed by Order of the Provincial Congreſs,

JOHN HANCOCK, Preſident.

A true Extract from the Minutes.

BENJAMIN LINCOLN, Secretary.

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